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In re Application of  
PIPERIDIS  
Application No.: 10/537,183  
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For: FLUORESCENT LAMP REFLECTORS

DECISION ON  
REQUEST FOR REFUND

This is a decision on applicant's letter to "REQUEST FOR REFUND" filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on 15 February 2006.

On 02 June 2005, applicant filed a transmittal letter to enter national stage along with the basic national fee, search and examination fees. The transmittal letter (PTO Form 1390) indicated a "small entity status" on page 2. Applicant was charged the full fees, rather than the small entity fees. On 15 February 2006, applicant filed a request for refund of fees paid on 02 June 2005.

A review of the finance records reveals that applicant paid the basic national fee in the amount of \$300, search fee of \$400 and examination fee of \$200. No credit for a refund of the basic national fees upon receipt of the small entity statement appears in the finance records.

A review of the transmittal letter indicates that small entity status was requested on 02 June 2005. Therefore, the fees that are entitled to refund based on small entity status are those fees, which were paid on or after that date.

Since applicant indicated small entity status on the Form 1390 filed on 02 June 2005, applicant is deemed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.27, a refund of \$450.00 the basic national fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27 and 37 CFR 1.26 is in order and will be credited to applicant's deposit account.

For the reasons above, applicants' request for refund filed 15 February 2006 is **GRANTED**. The amount of \$450 will be credited to applicant's deposit account No. 50-1241.

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